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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENT AGREEMENT: SOVIET TRANSPORTATION
TEAM VISIT

REF: MOSCOW 8243, STATE 109856

1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER TO A. O. KUDRYAVTSEV,
CHIEF DEPARTMENT OF URBAN PLANNING, STATE COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL
CONSTRUCTION AND ARCHITECTURE FROM MICHAEL H. MOSKOW, ASSISTANT
SECRETARY FOR POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH, HUD.

2. "DEAR MR. KUDRYAVTSEV: THANK YOU FOR AGREEING TO POSTPONE
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THE VISIT OF THE SOVIET URBAN TRANSPORTATION DELEGATION. THE US

EMBASSY HAS INFORMED US THAT OUR PROPOSED DATE OF SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER MAY NOT FIT YOUR PLANS. WE SHOULD LIKE, HOWEVER, TO BE ABLE TO REPORT PROGRESS IN THIS AREA AT THE OCTOBER MEETING OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP AND WE SUGGEST THAT THE DELEGATION VISIT THE US

DURING THE LAST HALF OF SEPTEMBER IF THIS IS AT ALL POSSIBLE.

3. "MR. MARTION CONVISSER, CHAIRMAN OF THE US-SUB-GROUP ON URBAN TRANSPORTATION, HAS ASKED ME TO TEL YOU THAT HIS GROUP ACCEPTS IN PRINCIPLE THE WORK PROGRAM FOR TOPIC IV-5 OUTLINED IN YOUR LETTER OF APRIL 26, WITH THE RECOGNITION THAT RELATIVELY LITTLE WORK HAS BEEN DONE TO MEET THE AIM OF THE PROGRAM; PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTING OPTIMUM CORRELATION BETWEEN PRIVATE AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION.

4. "MR. CONVISSER WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUGGESTIONS REGARDING THE TWO OR THREE CITIES IN ADDITION TO WASHINGTON, WHICH THE SOVIET URBAN TRANSPORTATION TEAM WOULD LIKE TO VISIT. PERHAPS YOU WOULD LIKE TO CHOOSE FROM AMONG THE FOLLOWING; (A) BOSTON, MASS., AN OLDER CITY WITH A LONG RAPID ESTABLISHED RAIL SYSTEM; (B) SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., WHICH HAS A NEW RAPID RAIL SYSTEM; (C) ATLANTA, GA., WHERE THERE IS HEAVY DEPENDENCE ON BUS TRANSPORTATION

ACCOMPANIED BY DEVELOPMENT OF A RAIL SYSTEM; (D) HOUSTON, TEXAS OR LOS ANGELES, CALMN (E) DENVER, COLO., WHICH IS A MOUNTAIN CITY WITH A PROGRESSIVE CITY-COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AND URBAN PLANNING PROGRAM.

5. "WE ATTACH A LIST OF THE MEMBERS OF THE US SUB-GROUP ON URBAN TRANSPORTATION. A SIMILAR LIST OF THEIR SOVIET COUNTERPARTS AND THEIR PRIMARY INTERESTS IS NEEDED TO PREPARE FOR A SATISFACTORY VISIT. WE SHOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING SUCH A LIST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

6. "MR. CONVISSER AND I LOOK FORWARD TO A SATISFACTORY MEETING OF THE US AND SOVIET URBAN TRANSPORTATION SPECIALIST. WITH BEST REGARDS, MICHAEL H. MOSKOW, CHAIRMAN, US WORKING GROUP ON THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT."

7. ATTACHMENT: US SUB-GROUP ON URBAN TRANSPORTATION: CHAIRMAN, UNCLASSIFIED

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MARTIN CONVISSER, DIRECTOR OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, OFFICE OF THE ASSITANT SECRETARY FOR ENVIRONMENT,SAFETY AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION(DOT); ALTERNATE CHAIRMAN, EUGENE L. LEHR, CHIEF, COORDINATION AND RESEARCH DIVISION OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENT AL AFFIRS, DOT; KENNETH ORSKI, ASSOCIATE ADMINISTRATOR,

OFFICE OF PROGRAM PLANNING, URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION \$95; MICHAEL LASH, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY,

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, DOT; CARL RAPPAPORT, OFFICE OF TRANSPORTATION POLICY DEVELOPMENT, OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR POLICY, PLANS AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, DOT; RICHARD H. BROWN, ACTING DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; DAVID L. MORELL, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF TRANSPORTATION AND LAND USE POLICY, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY; SYDNEY D. BERWAGER, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS; SALVATORE J. BELLOMO, ALAN M. VOORHEES AND ASSOCIATES, CONSULTING ENGINEERS.

8. ACTION REQUESTED:

HUD WOULD APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING NAMES AND INTERESTS OF SOVIET COUNTERPARTS OF THE AMERICAN SUB-GROUP MEMBERS AND IN EMPHASIZING TO KUDRYAVTSEV, US DESIRE TO RECEIVE THE SOVIET DELEGATION DURING LAST HALF OF SEPTEMBER. KISSINGER

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